

Title (en)

Workpiece processing apparatus.

Title (de)

Anlage zur Behandlung von Werkstücken.

Title (fr)

Dispositif de traitement des pièces.

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Abstract (en)

Workpieces are processed in a vacuum chamber (10) having an opening (23) in a loading wall (32), means (204) to transfer workpieces within the chamber, a pressure plate (16) in the chamber adjacent the transfer means on the side of the transfer means opposite the loading wall and a ram (31) for moving the pressure plate (16) toward and away from the loading wall, there being lost motion abutment means (244,252) between the transfer means and the pressure plate means so that as the ram is moved towards the loading wall, the transfer means is compressed between the loading wall and the pressure plate means and when the ram is moved away from the loading wall, said pressure plate means is first moved away from the loading wall to provide a space between the pressure plate means and the transfer means and then continued movement of the pressure plate means moves said transfer means away from the loading wall as lost motion ceases between abutments (244, 252).

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